

MAR 06 2002
PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE
C152

COPY OF PAPERS
ORIGINALLY FILED

Attorney Docket No. 2947.03US02

Customer No. 24419
Patterson, Thuente, Skaar & Christensen, P.A.
4800 IDS Center
80 South 8th Street
Minneapolis, Minnesota 55402-2100
Telephone: (612) 349-5740
Facsimile: (612) 349-9266

REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION
(RCE) TRANSMITTAL

RECEIVED
MAR 13 2002
RECEIVED
MAR 13 2002
TECHNOLOGY CENTER
RCE

Box RCE
Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of Application No. 09/382,433, filed August 25, 1999, for: Orthoses for Joint Rehabilitation, by: John G. Stark et al.

1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

a. [] Previously submitted

[] Please enter in the present application the unentered Amendment under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116, with any attachments, filed on _____ in said prior application.

[] Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or reply Brief previously filed on _____

[] Other _____

b. [X] Enclosed

[X] A Preliminary Amendment is enclosed. Claims added by this Amendment are properly numbered consecutively beginning with the number next following the highest numbered claim in the prior application.

[] Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)

[] Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)

[] Other _____

2. [X] The filing fee is calculated below:

	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest No. Previously Paid For	Present Extra (Equals)	Small Entity Rate	Add'l Fee	OR	Large Entity Rate	Add'l Fee
Total	9	- 49	0 =	x 9	\$		x 18	\$0.00
Indep.	2	- 6	0 =	x 42	\$		x 84	\$0.00
RCE fee				+ 370	\$		+ 740	\$740.00
Mult. Dep.			=	+ 140	\$		+ 280	\$
				TOTAL	\$	OR	TOTAL	\$740.00

[] First Presentation of Multiple Dependent Claim [MDC]

* If the entry in Column 1 is less than the entry in Column 2, write "0" in Column 3.

** If the "Highest Number Previously Paid For" IN THIS SPACE is less than 20, write "20" in this space.

*** If the "Highest Number Previously Paid For" IN THIS SPACE is less than 3, write "3" in this space.

The "Highest Number Previously Paid For" (Total or Independent) is the highest number found from the equivalent box in Column 1 of a prior Amendment or the number of claims originally filed.

RCE of U.S. Application No. 09/382,433
Filed August 25, 1999

3. [X] Two checks in the amount of \$1,660.00 are enclosed. This fee includes the RCE fee and the extension of time fee (The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. §1.114 when the RCE is filed). The Commissioner is hereby authorized to grant any extensions of time and to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 that may be required during the entire pendency of this application to Deposit Account No. 16-0631.
4. [X] Petition for Three-Month Extension of Period of Time and Fee.

Respectfully submitted,



Peter S. Dardi, Ph.D.
Registration No. 39,650

Please grant any extension of time necessary for entry; charge any fee due to Deposit Account No. 16-0631.

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I hereby certify that this document is being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231 on

February 25, 2002

Date of Deposit



Peter S. Dardi, Ph.D.